

VILLA DASHES SOUTH AS FOE SCOURS HILLS

Mexican Outlaw Headed for Parral to Join Reyes' Force

VILLA CASUALTIES 300

Report of Wound Ruse to Scatter Dodd's Troops While Bandit Escaped

EL PASO, April 4.—The presence of Pancho Villa with a small band of his followers in the neighborhood of Satevo was corroborated here today in dispatches received by Bishop Brown, of the Mormon colony. The dispatches came from Juan Terrazas, a wealthy rancher in Chihuahua. Terrazas states that he believes Villa is headed for Parral to which a good road leads from Satevo. Nothing was said of Villa being wounded.

Pancho Villa has given his American pursuers the slip and is now approximately 60 miles ahead of the chase, according to latest reports. Dispatches, which seem to be 48 hours behind all the movements in Mexico, say that on Sunday he was at Satevo, 50 miles south of Chihuahua City. He is believed to be headed toward Parral to join his powerful ally, Canuto Reyes.

Unofficial reports say that Villa already has passed Parral and is nearing the Durango state line.

The outlaw chieftain was able to make this gain on his pursuers, it is said, by putting out the story that he was wounded and in hiding, causing Colonel Dodd to scatter his forces among the hills of Guerrero for detailed search, without making progress in any particular direction. Meanwhile Villa fled to the southward.

Colonel Guitierrez, Carranza commander in Chihuahua, insists that Villa has been wounded and that the Carranza forces will come in contact with him shortly. However, Americans of the border have their doubts.

Reports to San Antonio state that casualties to the Villistas so far have totaled 300, approximately 200 of whom have been taken prisoners. The American troops have been in constant skirmishes with small bands of the Villistas for several days past. It appears Villa himself manages to escape these encounters.

The War Department officially confirmed the report of yesterday that additional troops were sent into Mexico Sunday. They are to strengthen the lines of communication.

VILLA HEADED TO TORREON TO JOIN HIS ALLY, REYES

EL PASO, Texas, April 4.—Francisco Villa has been compelled by the rapid pursuit of American cavalry to abandon his plans for an attack upon Chihuahua City. On Sunday afternoon the bandit leader, accompanied by eight members of his personal bodyguard, was in the vicinity of Satevo, 50 miles south of Chihuahua. At that time his American pursuers were 20 miles behind the fleeing chieftain.

It is now regarded as certain that Villa is headed toward Parral, thence possibly to Torreon, where he hopes to form a junction with his powerful ally, Canuto Reyes. If this is done he will have at least 2000 men in his forces.

This was the news that came today by courier from Casas Grandes. It appeared to be the most reliable information received during the last three days as to the whereabouts of Villa. The same courier reported that intermittent rifle firing had been heard for several hours on March 21 near El Valle, the sub-base of the punitive expedition. He said he believed that a skirmish had followed an attempt by a band of mounted Mexicans to cut the lines of communication between Casas Grandes and El Valle.

ESCAPES CAPTURE

From the story told by the courier, it appeared that Villa had a narrow escape.

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THE WEATHER

Many have carelessly remarked, in these chilly April days, how nice it must be to chase Villa in the warm and sunny land of Mexico. "Just think of those lucky lads, riding horseback in shirt sleeves," is the exclamation. And then one reads of tracking Villa through the snow! In those mountains of Mexico conditions are not similar to those at Palm Beach. You can't always go by the latitude in judging the temperatures. For instance, we had in extreme youth imagined Siberia perpetually covered with a blanket of snow. It was a disappointment later to learn of Siberian wheat fields.

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Cloudy and unsettled tonight with possibly light rain; Wednesday partly cloudy and slightly warmer; fresh northeast winds.

PERSONAL

MR. INQUIRITIVE—Will the person who sent me the letter please communicate with Room 605 Chestnut street, at once.

FOUND

Found a small black dog, possibly a pointer, near the corner of Chestnut and Market streets. If anyone has information regarding its whereabouts, please contact the Philadelphia Police Department.

DID CRUSHING OF TWO TOES GIVE MAN APPENDICITIS?

Workmen Files Claim and Compensation Board Faces Puzzle

Can injured toes cause appendicitis? This is the problem which confronts the Workmen's Compensation Board today, following a claim petition for \$100, to pay for an operation.

ALLIED AIRMEN BOMBARD FOUR GERMAN CITIES

31 Machines Shell Keyem, Essen, Terrest and Houthulst

DROP 86 LARGE BOMBS

Confians Station Also Attacked in Retaliation for Raid on Dunkirk

LONDON, April 4.—Thirty-one Allied aeroplanes yesterday raided German towns in retaliation for the bombardment of Dunkirk Sunday night by a Zeppelin.

An official statement says that 86 bombs of large calibre were dropped on the enemy cantonments at Keyem, Essen, Terrest and Houthulst. The great Krupp gun plant is at Essen. A French air squadron also bombed the station at Confians.

The Zeppelin that attacked Dunkirk, in a close combat with two of them. The Zeppelin was shot down by the British fighters in the Straits of Dover, it is believed to have been one of the fleet that raided the southeastern part of Scotland and the southeastern counties of England on Sunday night.

Yesterday's British official communication indicates that battles in the clouds are increasing in frequency. It says: "Yesterday one of our aviators shot down a German machine in the neighborhood of Lens. Another aviator attacked and drove off five hostile machines after a close combat with two of them."

In the Verdun district there is also fierce fighting in the air. The French official statement yesterday says: "Today numerous aerial combats were fought with success in the region of Verdun. Our aviators brought down four German aeroplanes; other enemy machines took to flight or were forced to land."

What is looked upon as the possible inauguration of Zeppelin warfare on a large scale is seen in yesterday's official announcement from Berlin.

For the first time the War Office statement in recounting military movements of England on Sunday night, like "eastern theatre" and "western theatre."

WHAT BEFELL THIS CAR?

Abandoned and Badly Battered; Found on Springfield Avenue

What happened to a large new touring car before it was found abandoned on Springfield avenue, between 55th and 56th streets shortly before 5 o'clock this morning by Mounted Policeman Spicer, is a puzzle which the police of the 65th street station are trying to solve today. It is known to have arrived there after 3 o'clock, as Policeman Spicer passed the spot at that time and the car then was not to be seen.

The car was badly battered. The front is dented, the windshield and lamps are broken and there is a bad gash at the top of the hood. It was hauled to the 65th street and Woodland avenue station. District Detectives Quigley and Prince are making an investigation.

HUNTER SHOTS FIVE; BESIEGED; ENDS LIFE

Madman Also Tried to Kill Wife and Children at Long Island Home

BABYLON, L. I., April 4.—Captain William Donley, a hunter and guide, who barricaded himself in his home after wounding five persons, blew his head off with a shotgun early today. Donley's wife was found on the second floor of his home.

Late yesterday Donley drove back by fast firing a group of friends who tried to approach and talk to him. He watched on all sides. Whenever a head appeared he shot at it.

Police and Sheriff established a guard line almost a half mile from the home and would not let any one approach. After dark the cordon drew close to prevent the madman from escaping. A period of quiet started after midnight and shortly before dawn, Sheriff Odell crept silently up to the house and broke in. He found Donley's body.

Donley's victims, whom he shot as they were passing his home, were: W. E. Boyne, hotelkeeper; John Clunie, Thomas Gallagher, chief of police, shot in arm and leg; Theodore Watta, shipyard owner, and Mrs. Edwin M. Post.

Donley is believed to have been driven insane by brooding over what he thought was a plot of the neighbors to have him arrested and punished for shooting ducks out of season. He was arrested several days ago, and at the time of his death was awaiting trial. Neighbors deny they were persecuting him.

Before barricading his home, Donley crowded his wife and four children into a room and turned on the gas, locking the door as he went out. Mrs. Donley escaped always go by the latitude in judging the temperatures. For instance, we had in extreme youth imagined Siberia perpetually covered with a blanket of snow. It was a disappointment later to learn of Siberian wheat fields.

MRS. SMITH HELD BY CORONER'S JURY

Widow of Murdered Man Formally Accused of Firing Fatal Shot

Mrs. Rose Victoria Smith was held without bail today by the coroner's jury to await the action of the Grand Jury on the charges of the murder of her husband, Charles Smith, with a shotgun, in the rear of his heating shop, at 5523 Chestnut avenue, on March 28. The widow is believed to have committed the murder while in a jealous rage over the belief that her husband, from whom she had been separated for more than a year, was squandering the money due her, on a weekly court order, on other women.

DUTCH FRIENDLY TO ALL POWERS, HAGUE ASSERTS

Recent Military Measures Not Aimed at Any of the Belligerents

SAID TO FEAR A DRIVE

Allies' "Feelers" Concerning Closing of Border Rejected, Berlin Says

LONDON, April 4.—A Rome wireless message today said it had been learned from Zurich that Holland had closed the German frontier and was massing troops on the German border. The report has not been confirmed from any other source.

THE HAGUE, April 4.—Holland's diplomatic relations with all the belligerent countries are friendly, according to an official statement authorized here today.

Recent military measures, it was stated, are not connected in any way with any diplomatic difficulties resulting from developments of any of the belligerent powers.

BERLIN, April 4.—The Dutch Government, it was reported here today, has refused to comply with an informal request from the Allies that it close the Holland frontier to Germany.

Military measures have been taken by Holland as a warning that it will resist any attempt to force it to aid in the plan to "starve out Germany." There is no longer any doubt here that the Dutch activities were inspired by developments of the allied conference at Paris.

The Allies, thus far, have made no formal demand upon Queen Wilhelmina, it is reliably stated, by the minister of the Allies at The Hague, approached the Dutch Foreign Office with informal representations in the nature of "feelers." Queen Wilhelmina's answer was to summon Parliament into special session and cancel leave of absence.

From several sources today came the report that the Dutch Minister of Agriculture has ordered an accounting rendered to the Government of all available stocks of grain and foodstuffs. This was considered highly significant in view of the report that the Allies would blockade the Dutch coast and refuse to shut off supplies to Germany.

LONDON, April 4.—The Allies are planning a great drive into Germany by way of Holland, according to dispatches from Dutch cities.

Many conflicting reports have been received here regarding the unsuccessfulness of the drive into Holland, according to a dispatch from The Hague, in the specific rumor that the "great offensive" planned by the Allies at the Paris conference will involve the neutrality of Holland.

It is officially stated here that nothing has been done by the Allies which is responsible for the disturbed conditions in Holland.

200 PERISH IN FLAMING KENT POWDER PLANTS

Explosions in British County May Have Been Caused by Zeppelin Bombs

LONDON, April 4.—Fire that broke out here last week in one of the Government powder factories in Kent, caused a number of explosions resulting in approximately 200 casualties, the Ministry of Munitions announced today. The fire was still burning yesterday, but is now believed to be under control.

The official statement says that the fire was accidental. It was discovered about noon, but spread rapidly and reached the powder houses, terrific explosions following.

It is possible that the fire reported in the foregoing dispatch was caused by an incendiary bomb dropped from one of the Zeppelins that raided the County of Kent last week.

MAYOR ORDERS McNICHOE TO RESUME SUBWAY WORK UNDER THE CITY HALL

Conference With Senator Ends in Instruction to Proceed—Island Station Matter in Doubt, But Construction Is Considered Assured

McNichol Asserts His Attorneys and Engineers Must Study Unforeseen Difficulties Before Going Ahead.

Lennon May Offer Amendment to Clear Away Doubt

Mayor Smith this afternoon instructed Transit Director Twining to have the Keystone State Construction Company resume work on the Broad street subway under City Hall as soon as possible.

The announcement was made by the Mayor after an hour's conference with State Senator James P. McNichol, the head of the Keystone Company, which holds the \$1,700,000 contract for the work.

Neither Mayor Smith nor Senator McNichol said whether or not the island station under City Hall would be as planned by former Director Taylor, but it was generally accepted as true in view of the Mayor's announcement earlier in the day that his interpretation of the Lennon amendment to the municipal loan was that it provided for every line and detail of the Taylor plan, including the City Hall station.

James E. Lennon, president of Select Council, a downtown Vore leader, who introduced the amendment advancing the transit items to \$57,100,000, said just before the meeting of the Finance Committee today that he would hold a conference with his colleagues and, if necessary, amend the measure so that there might be no further doubt over the status of the station.

ANOTHER McNICHOE CONFERENCE.—The engineering difficulties to which the cessation of work on February 24 was ascribed will be taken up later today at a conference between Mayor Smith, Director Twining and Senator McNichol. Under the Mayor's interpretation of the Lennon resolution, fixing an item of \$57,100,000 in the municipal loan for transit, the work under City Hall will proceed as originally planned, and the necessity for any changes in the contract with the Keystone Construction Company will be taken up at a conference between City Solicitor Connelly and attorneys for the company.

ADVANTAGE OF CITY HALL STATION.—The adoption of the Taylor plan for the location of the great island station under City Hall, with a four-track subway at that point, will permit easy transfer of passengers between the present Market street subway and the Broad street tube. The "island" station for the station the passengers would have been forced to walk nearly two blocks to change from the north and south bound to the east and west bound high-speed tracks. It was contended this would have forced passengers to the streets and into the surface cars of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co. to the great disadvantage of the city and the loss of thousands to the public.

Senator McNichol said before work could be resumed under City Hall it would be necessary to have into consideration engineering or other unforeseen difficulties which might have arisen since the contract was let and first begun. He added that a conference between City Solicitor Connelly, attorneys for the Keystone State Construction Company, as well as between engineers representing both sides, would be necessary to determine just how the work should proceed and what obstacles would have to be overcome.

McNICHOL IS SATISFIED.—"We have been requested by the Mayor to resume work under City Hall," he said. "I discussed the matter with the Mayor, and must it be said that the Mayor is satisfied to go on with the work, we are satisfied, provided that conditions are such as will enable us to resume work on our satisfaction."

In case any unforeseen trouble has arisen, obstacles involving foundation troubles, for instance, we want to have a thorough understanding as to what these obstacles are. If the city wants the work done—all right. But there are a number of things we want ordered up before we proceed. In order that we may know how we stand, we will have our engineers make a thorough report."

The Senator explained that Director Twining, acting under orders from the Mayor, had a perfect right to order the resumption of the work, just as he had a perfect right to order the suspension of it at some definite plan to resume the work.

He added that his attorneys and engineers would meet with Twining and city representatives in the very near future, possibly within a week or so, to arrive at some definite plan to resume the work.

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ORTYNSKY WILL VALID; CHURCH GETS PROPERTY

Only Minor "Charitable Bequests" May Tangle Estate of Bishop

Speculation among members of the Ruthenian Catholic Church of this city as to the disposition of the estate of Bishop Stephen Soter Ortynsky, which was believed to have been consumed by ransom, was today quieted by the arrival of news from the death of the bishop on March 24, ended today with the announcement that the church property, which was believed to have been consumed by ransom, will be turned over to the successor of the Bishop, who will go on to his successor without difficulty.

It had been believed by the church members that the disposition of the church properties would be left up to the successor of the Bishop, who will be turned over to the successor of the Bishop, who will go on to his successor without difficulty.

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POISONED CANDY "APRIL FOOL"

Woman Confesses Sending it to Girl Friends of Her Son

RICHMOND, Va., April 4.—Mrs. Margaret Sipe, 55 years old, was committed to jail at Harrisonburg today on confessing to poisoning her son's candy. The candy was marked "April Fool." It contained strychnine.

Accused of Attack and Robbery

LANCASTER, Pa., April 4.—Jack Reese, a familiar figure in local police courts, was arrested this morning on the charge of having enticed C. T. Reid, of Parkersburg, to a vacant building on Water street last night, beating him and robbing him of nearly \$100 and a fine gold watch. Reid had met Reese and was being shown the town.

EXTRA! ZEPPELINS AGAIN RAID ENGLAND; FORTIFICATIONS ARE SHELLED

BERLIN, April 4.—Zeppelins made another raid on the south-east coast of England last night, throwing explosive bombs down upon the fortifications of Great Yarmouth, the Admiralty announced this afternoon. The Zeppelins returned safely, though heavily shelled.

LODGE URGES UNIVERSAL MILITARY SERVICE

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Senator Lodge, just back from the "preparedness" luncheon with Colonel Roosevelt and Elihu Root, today defined his ideas of national defense in a spirited Senate speech. Senators listened with interest, for they believed he was expressing the views on which Colonel Roosevelt would wage his campaign. He declared for universal military service and training for a limited time in the life of every citizen.

MARCH EXPORTS FROM THIS PORT \$21,000,000

Exports from Philadelphia during the month of March showed an approximate value of \$21,000,000, an increase of about \$14,000,000 over the value of those during March, 1915, according to the report of the statistician of the Board of Commissioners of Navigation, made public today. Exports of grain for March show an increase of 2,755,848 bushels over the same month last year; flour showed an increase of 22,653,117 pounds, and coal an increase of 13,850 tons. War cargoes valued at \$8,000,000 left this port during March.

CONNELLY AT HARRISBURG TO CLOSE ELECTRIC CASE

HARRISBURG, Pa., April 4.—City Solicitor Connelly, appearing before the Public Service Commission today for presentation of final papers in the Philadelphia Electric case, said for Mayor Smith that the basis of settlement is eminently satisfactory, that the rates are fair to the city and that a refund will be arranged. The Commission adjourned immediately thereafter and will take up the case later this afternoon.

SUGAR EXPORTS GAIN \$73,000,000 IN 20 MONTHS

An increase of \$73,000,000 exports of sugar from the United States in the first 20 months of the European war is shown in reports from Government departments, made public at the Bourse. The United States is exporting more sugar in a month than formerly was sent out in a year. The increase in exports is due to the heavy demands from England and France, exporters explained. The total value of exported sugar since the war began is \$75,000,000. When the war began, the price of sugar was 4.40 cents a pound. Today it is quoted by Philadelphia refiners at 7 cents a pound. These prices are wholesale, but as retailers make no profit on sugar the retail prices are the same.

STORM MOVING UP COAST TOWARD PHILADELPHIA

Warning of a storm off the Atlantic coast, from the Delaware Breakwater to Boston, was posted today by the Weather Bureau, which predicted that the storm would reach Philadelphia late this afternoon or tonight. The disturbance began to assume definite proportions off the Virginia Capes this morning, moving northward or northeastward. Calm northeast winds probably would assume gale force along the coast by tonight, it was said, but the Weather Bureau doubted if the storm would "amount to much" in the city. Light rains and moderate winds would be Philadelphia's portion, it was expected.

FRENCH DESTROYER CAPTURES CRIPPLED SEAPLANE

PARIS, April 4.—A German seaplane, with a broken wing, which fell into the North Sea, has been towed into Dunkirk by a French destroyer, says a dispatch received here today. The two occupants of the seaplane were captured.

SLAVS THREATEN REPRISALS FOR SINKING OF SHIP

PETROGRAD, April 4.—Reprisals are threatened by the Russian Government for the sinking of the hospital ship Portugal by a German or Turkish submarine in the Black Sea, with heavy loss of life. The Russian Government has sent a note to the neutral powers protesting against the torpedoing of the Portugal. The Spanish and United States embassies have been requested to bring the protest to the attention of Germany.

QUEEN VICTORIA OF SPAIN ILL

MADRID, April 4.—Queen Victoria of Spain is seriously ill. She was compelled to take to her bed several days ago, but was thought to be recovering when she suffered a relapse. King Alfonso canceled all his engagements today to remain near the sickroom.

NEGRO ATTACKS WOMAN; PURSUED; DROWNS

The body of a black negro, who attacked a woman, accompanied by a man, on West River Drive, Fairmount Park, and then plunged into the Schuylkill River to escape the shots of Park guards, is being sought today with grappling irons in the river below the Girard avenue bridge. He is believed to have drowned. The attack, which occurred last night, was frustrated by Park Guard Eugene Miller, who pursued and grappled with the assailant, and Park Guard Harvey Link, who fired three shots at him before he leaped into the river and disappeared. The names of the man and woman were withheld.

BRITISH WAR WIDOWS MAY GET HUSBANDS HERE

PITTSBURGH, April 4.—Thousands of war widows of British soldiers will be assisted in getting good husbands in the United States and Canada by the Salvation Army, in conjunction with the Canadian Government, according to announcement by Colonel William Evans, in command of the Salvation Army here. Because a great many of the best men of England have been slain the widows are without an adequate matrimonial field, Colonel Evans declares, and many must come to American shores for remarriage and livelihood. The Salvation Army, he says, will assist the Canadian Government in placing the widows in an environment that will enable them to get good husbands.

RODIN GIVES HIS ART WORKS TO FRANCE

PARIS, April 4.—Auguste Rodin, the sculptor, has executed a deed of gift to the Government of all his own works, art objects he has acquired and the famous Hotel Biron, in which they are displayed. The building will be called the Musée Rodin Lescartier. He retains the studio, but the rest of the large building and the grounds that surround it become public property.

BULGARIA PROMISES TO QUIT GREEK SOIL

PARIS, April 4.—Greece has been notified by the Bulgarian Government that all troops will be moved from points on Greek territory, according to a dispatch from Athens. It is said that Bulgaria also assured Greece that she intended to do everything possible to maintain friendly relations between the two countries.

LADY RALPH PAGET BACK FROM SERBIA

LONDON, April 4.—Lady Ralph Paget has arrived at London with 54 of the staff of her hospital at Uskub. Lady Paget remained in Serbia, caring for wounded Serbian soldiers when the city of Uskub was captured. She was later detained by the Bulgars.

"I haven't any brain left," declared Lady Paget when asked to talk about her experiences. She looked thoroughly worn out, but was still an attractive figure in her nursing uniform.

COALITION RUMORS PERSIST IN CANADA

OTTAWA, April 4.—The munitions graft scandal is rapidly assuming a political complexion ominous for Major General Sir Sam Hughes, Minister of Militia and Defense. The significant feature is that none of Sir Sam's friends speak up for him in the House of Commons in his absence. It is said that the Government, the Duke of Connaught, sent for Sir Wilfred Laurier, leader of Opposition, with a view to recommending a coalition Government. This is officially denied. But the story persists. There is a feeling here that a general election this year is not at all improbable.

PANAMA CANAL TO REOPEN APRIL 15

PANAMA, April 4.—After a careful survey of the slides in the Gatun Lock, Major General George W. Goethals said that the canal would be reopened on April 15, as previously announced.